



BY THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Docket 1875-0326.2

JACOBSON, Stephen C. et al.

Application No. 10/668,930

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For: **METHODS FOR FORMING SMALL-VOLUME ELECTRICAL CONTACTS AND MATERIAL MANIPULATIONS WITH FLUID MICROCHANNELS**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
AND REQUEST FOR DELETION OF INVENTORS

As a preliminary matter, please amend the above-identified application as set forth herein.

Amendments to the **Specification** begin on **page 2** of this preliminary amendment.

Amendments to the **Claims** begin on **page 3** of this preliminary amendment.

The **Remarks** concerning the Preliminary Amendment begin at **page 15**.